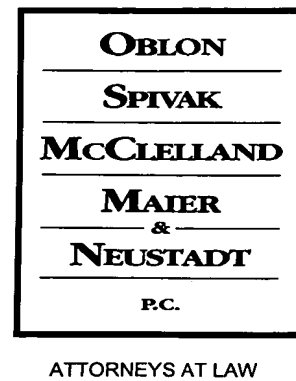




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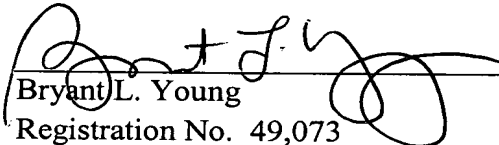
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In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed August 4, 2005, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I: Claims 1-19, drawn to a process of coating a pipe.